110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H.R. 5266

To require certain semiautomatic pistols manufactured, imported, or sold by Federal firearms licensees to be capable of microstamping ammunition.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 7, 2008

Mr. Becerra (for himself, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Emanuel, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, and Mr. Rangel) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "National Crime Gun
- 5 Identification Act".

1	SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT CERTAIN SEMIAUTOMATIC
2	PISTOLS MANUFACTURED, IMPORTED, OR
3	SOLD BY FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES BE
4	CAPABLE OF MICROSTAMPING AMMUNITION
5	(a) In General.—Section 923 of title 18, United
6	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7	lowing:
8	"(m)(1)(A) A person licensed under this chapter shall
9	not manufacture, import, or transfer a semiautomatic pis-
10	tol to which this subparagraph applies that is not capable
11	of microstamping ammunition.
12	"(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A), a pistol is
13	capable of microstamping ammunition if—
14	"(i) a microscopic array of characters that iden-
15	tify the make, model, and serial number of the pistol
16	is etched into the breech face and firing pin of the
17	pistol; and
18	"(ii) when ammunition is fired from the pistol,
19	the characters are copied from the breech face and
20	firing pin onto the cartridge case of the ammunition
21	"(C) Subparagraph (A) shall apply only to semiauto-
22	matic pistols which—
23	"(i) are manufactured, or imported into the
24	United States, on or after the effective date of this
25	subsection; and

1	"(ii) have not been transferred to a person not
2	licensed under this chapter.
3	"(2) Whoever violates paragraph (1) shall be fined
4	an amount equal to—
5	"(A) in the case of a first such violation by the
6	violator, \$1,000 multiplied by the number of semi-
7	automatic pistols involved in the violation;
8	"(B) in the case of a second such violation by
9	the violator, \$2,000 multiplied by the number of
10	semiautomatic pistols involved in the violation; or
11	"(C) in the case of a third such violation by the
12	violator, \$3,000 multiplied by the number of semi-
13	automatic pistols involved in the violation.".
14	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
15	subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2010.

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